

## MR. GAGE SUBMITS.

Gives Congress Facts as to the National City Bank.

### THE DEPARTMENT'S ATTITUDE

Senate Pays Respect to the Late Vice President.

Washington, Jan. 10.—Secretary Gage today made a voluminous reply, accompanied by a large number of documents, to the resolutions of the house and senate asking his reasons for utilizing national banks as depositories for public monies, and why he directed that all internal revenue receipts be turned over to the National City bank of New York. Gage says under the law, when receipts in the treasury are exceeding the expenditures, the national banks are utilized as national depositories in order to avert disturbance of business consequent upon the withdrawal of large sums from active circulation, the reason for directing that internal revenue receipts all be deposited in the National City bank for subsequent distribution to other designated banks, because it is more convenient to collect all in one place first, than to give fresh instructions daily to 113 collectors. It was most convenient to have a member of the New York clearing house, and, finally, only two of all the designated banks made deposits of funds in sufficient amount to cover the daily receipts. The National City bank had the largest deposit and was therefore selected. Gage denied that the treasury ever discriminated unfairly between banks.

**Dealing With Depositories.**  
The secretary then gives an outline of his policy in dealing with public depositories which he shows in line with that of former secretaries of the treasury for 20 years. He points out the settlement of the Union Pacific railroad debt in 1897 would have taken \$58,000,000 from circulation in a lump, causing great disturbance in business, but for the utilization of depository banks. Again at the outbreak of the war with Spain, the same means were used to break the strain when the government was borrowing \$200,000,000. The secretary then takes up the late flurry in Wall street owing to tight money and tells how the treasury intervened to avert it, first by anticipation of interest next by purchasing of bonds, and finally when the situation became critical and threatened to spread, by increasing the amounts in the depository banks, by turning over to them current internal revenue receipts.

**To the Memory of Hobart.**  
Washington, Jan. 10.—The senate paid an eloquent tribute of respect and affection to the memory of Vice President Hobart. At the opening Gage's report on the relations of the treasury to the depository of the national banks was presented and referred to the finance committee. Butler, of North Carolina, offered a long resolution on trusts and gave notice he would discuss it later. Sewell, of New Jersey, then addressed the senate in eulogy of Hobart. Daniel, of Virginia, followed. Dewey then put an eloquent tribute to the dead statesman, and was listened to with deepest attention.

Remarks were also made by C. K. Davis, of Missouri, Cullom, of Illinois, Morgan, of Alabama, and Lodge, of Massachusetts.

**Other Proceedings.**  
Hale, of Maine, introduced a resolution asking for information regarding the seizure of American property in Delagoa bay, declaring it had been detained unlawfully and unjustly. Upon objection by Lodge the resolution went over.

The ways and means committee of the house adopted a resolution for the appointment of a committee of five by the chair to report authority and

law as to the meaning of the term "United States" in the provision of the constitution which declares that "all duties, imposts and exercises shall be uniform throughout the United States," whether it includes simply the area actually included within the boundaries stated, or whether it covers also the territory belonging to the United States.

A resolution calling upon the secretary of the treasury for the information as to the states in which oleomargarine was shipped and distributed was adopted. The remainder of the session was devoted to eulogies upon the late Representative Green, of Nebraska.

**Proposed for Rear Admirals.**  
Washington, Jan. 10.—The president sent the following nominations to the senate to be rear admirals: Henry L. Howison, Albert Kautz, George C. Remy, Norman H. Farquhar.

### FAITH HEALERS IN TROUBLE

Grand Jury to Investigate the Death of Ethel Yates at Council Bluffs.  
Council Bluffs, Jan. 10.—The coroner's jury which has been investigating the death of Ethel Yates, rendered a verdict that death was due to neglect. The post-mortem showed that there was a death of the appendix and doctors testified that with proper care there was every reason to believe that her life could have been saved. The physician who attended her before her mother returned home from a visit and dispensed with his services, for that of a faith healer testified that at that time she was improving. No warrants were issued for the parties involved, but the matter will be presented to the grand jury.

### BLACKBURN IS ELECTED.

Kentucky Legislature Chooses United States Senator.  
Frankfort, Ky., Jan. 10.—The house met in joint session at noon and compared ballots for United States senator taken by each house separately yesterday and declared Blackburn elected.

**Gen. Miles' Daughter Married.**  
Washington, Jan. 10.—Miss Cecelia Sherman Miles, daughter of the general commanding the army, and Capt. Samuel Reber, U. S. A., were married at noon today at St. John's church.

### Canadian Cabinet.

Winnipeg, Jan. 10.—Premier MacDonald announces his new cabinet today. He takes the attorney generalship. The other portfolios are as follows: Treasurer and minister of agriculture, J. A. Davidson; secretary and minister of public works, Dr. McFadden; without portfolio, James Johnson, Colin H. Campbell.

### South Dakota Bank in Trouble.

Mitchell, S. D., Jan. 10.—The state bank at Plankinton, owned by D. L. Stevens, failed to open its doors yesterday owing to Stevens' absence. Stevens' wife went to the bank yesterday to secure assistance, and wired his cashier not to open the bank yesterday. It being the only bank there nearly every business man was caught in the failure.

### Cargo of the General Examined.

Aden, Jan. 10.—The Imperial German mail steamer General, detained here by the British authorities since Jan. 4 on suspicion of having contraband of war on board, has been released. After her cargo had been examined it was found that she only had a few chemicals and acetones on board. Nothing else was disclosed.

### Charged With Murder.

West Superior, Wis., Jan. 10.—Nels Johnson, a lumberjack, making this city his headquarters, has been arrested by the authorities here charged with the murder of Abraham Carlson on Dec. 23. There are now six persons being held for a preliminary hearing on the same charge.

### Jack Root Beats Tommy West.

Chicago, Jan. 10.—Jack Root, Chicago, was given the decision over Tommy West, New York, at the end of six rounds at Tattersall's Pavilion last night. In the preliminary "Young Griffo," of Australia, was given the decision over Young Kenny, of Chicago.

### Kaiser's Significant Telegram.

Stuttgart, Jan. 10.—Emperor William, telegraphing his thanks to the King of Wurtemberg for assuming the patronage of the navy league, says: "I hope the events of the last few days will have convinced the ever-widening circles that not only Germany's interests, but Germany's honor, must be protected on distant seas, and to this end Germany must be strong and powerful on the sea also."

### Killed and Ate Fifteen Britishers.

London, Jan. 10.—Mail advices from New Britain report the massacre of the captain and crew of fifteen men belonging to the British schooner "Kukuma," of South Wales, while trading among the Admiralty Islands. Only three boys escaped. The natives after murdering the sailors inaugurated a feast ashore and ate their victims.

### Loving Cup for Admiral Dewey.

Washington, Jan. 10.—The loving cup of silver made from the medals donated by over 70,000 American citizens, the majority of whom were children, was presented to Admiral Dewey yesterday morning. Chauncey M. Depew making the presentation speech and the admiral replying with much feeling.

### Pine Lumber Goes Up a Notch.

LaCrosse, Wis., Jan. 10.—Another mark-up in the price of white pine lumber has been ordered by the manufacturers. It varies from 50 cents throughout the white pine district, covering the entire northwest.

## QUIET AT THE FRONT

Latest from There Is Dated Sunday and the Big Guns Were Silent.

### BOTH BOERS AND BRITISH RESTING

Leopold Offers Mediation and It Is Declined—Boers to Get Lyddite Shells from Krupp—Statement of the German and British Cases Regarding Those Shells—Balfour Makes Another Speech About the War—Kaiser's Significant Remark by Telegram.

Durban, Jan. 10.—The British authorities released the German steamer Herzog, seized Jan. 6, on her way to Lorenzo Marques.

London, Jan. 10.—An incredible rumor from Capetown says the Boers have withdrawn from Magerfontein.

London, Jan. 10.—A dispatch to the Daily Chronicle dated at Free Camp, Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock says: "There has been no bombardment of Ladysmith today, nor any shelling at Chieveley by the British guns."

London, Jan. 10.—The Daily Mail has the following dispatch dated Jan. 7 from Cape Town: "Dordrecht is now garrisoned by 1,000 rebels, thus releasing the Orange Free State troops for service elsewhere."

London, Jan. 10.—King Leopold, according to the Brussels correspondent of The Daily Mail, recently inquired



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of Queen Victoria whether an opportunity moment for mediation had arrived, but received a reply in the negative.

London, Jan. 10.—The Berlin correspondent of The Daily Mail gives under reserve a report that 15,000 Lyddite shells have been turned out by the Krupp works which are not destined for England, but were ordered some time ago by Dr. Leyds.

### Statement Regarding the Seizures.

London, Jan. 10.—The Daily Graphic makes the following statement regarding the seizures of German vessels by British warships: "Germany has addressed two notes to the British foreign office challenging Great Britain's right to detain any vessels traveling between two neutral ports. These notes have been duly answered. The queen's government find themselves wholly unable to acquiesce in Germany's contention. Germany cited a case in support of her contention, but on examination this so-called precedent proved to be quite inapplicable to the seizures under discussion. The correspondence between the two governments rests there, pending a decision by the prize court."

### British Losses in the War.

Great Britain's losses since the war began are fast approaching 8,000. A war office compilation of casualties, covering last evening's fighting, totals 7,213—1,027 killed, 3,975 wounded and 2,511 missing. These do not include 140 who have succumbed to disease nor the casualties at Ladysmith last Saturday.

### JOHN RUSSELL'S RECORD.

Balfour Says He Has Never Lost Except with the United States.

London, Jan. 10.—Arthur J. Balfour, first lord of the treasury, speaking last evening in East Manchester, said: "I know of no war in which Great Britain has been engaged except that resulting in the independence of the American colonies, which did not end triumphantly. Yet I do not know of one which has begun triumphantly. True, the war in South Africa is disappointing, but it is not a fact that Great Britain has suffered exceptional reverses or great disaster. On the other hand the war has knit together every branch of the English-speaking race, making all feel that they have a great, common, destiny which it is their duty to accomplish."

"These are thoughts which ought to support us in far greater trials than this war may produce. Remember that a nation which cannot bear defeat is a nation unworthy of empire and although we hope and believe it will not come in the course of the present war, yet, if matters should turn out otherwise, we should still rely upon the courage and patriotism of our countrymen." [Cheers.]

### Sherman Church's Taking Off.

Indianapolis, Jan. 10.—Sherman Church, the young millionaire who met a mysterious death at the hands of a former friend, was taken off by a former friend, Joseph A. Church, was formerly a miller, and is now traveling in the west. Last week a letter was received from Augusta saying that the son had disappeared. Young Church's body was found beneath the water wheel of the mill at Augusta, with the hands bound behind the back.

### White Man Kills a Negro Woman.

Chicago, Jan. 10.—Mrs. Maude Johnson, colored, was shot dead yesterday by John M. Toner, who then turned the weapon upon himself, inflicting a prob-

ably fatal wound. Toner is white, aged 34 and single. The woman had been living with Toner at 2531 State street, where the crime was committed. She came from Terre Haute, Ind., recently.

### DIXON IS A BACK NUMBER.

Terry McGovern Is Now Featherweight Champion of the World.

New York, Jan. 10.—Terry McGovern last night wrestled the featherweight championship of the world from George Dixon, who had defended it for nearly nine years. To save Dixon from a knockout Tom O'Rourke, his manager, threw up the sponge in the eighth round, when the negro was staggering helplessly, bleeding and weak, but as game as the dying gladiator. The fight took place before a crowd that packed the Broadway Athletic club, and the victory decided the ownership of a \$10,000 purse. Dixon from the first tap of the gong was on the aggressive, using a left swing furiously as his lead, which McGovern cleverly stepped inside of, and then sent both hands in rapid order to Dixon's lower works.

In the eighth and decisive round Dixon tried his usual opening with left swing, but Terry was inside, sending



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right to head and neck. Terry drove Dixon to the ropes, where George slipped to the floor. Terry helped Dixon to his feet and the cheers of the crowd and Dixon backed into Terry's corner, where he went down again under a body blow. The champion went down again. Dixon was up in five seconds and staggered to the center of the ring. Terry went after him relentlessly, planting left and right hooks on the jaw and George dropped to the floor. Dixon took the full count, getting up on the tenth second. Terry was ready for him and under body blows the champion went down again to take the count once more. It looked hopeless for Dixon, but he came to the corner and got up to face certain defeat. Thus it went until Dixon was down for the eighth time, and stayed there nine seconds when O'Rourke threw up the sponge.

### TELEGRAPH BRIEFS.

The Kentucky house in a ballot for senator gave Blackburn 57 votes and Bradley 42.

A cow belonging to J. Buchanan, of York, Wis., died recently from the effects of swallowing a damning needle.

A son has been born to Princess Henry of Prussia. The princess passed the ordeal in safety.

Tom Torrence, who worked at X-papers, Wis., was drenched between paper rollers and crushed to death.

Glen Miller, aged 15, of Mazomanie, Wis., died of lockjaw. He had suffered from toothache since Dec. 27.

President Lorenzo Snow, of the Mormon church, has published a declaration that he church has abandoned polygamy and does not sanction plural marriages.

Mrs. Edward A. Wall, aged 50, was run down and fatally injured at a crossing on the Burlington road at Chicago. Brazil's minister of finance has been ordered to resign. \$2,000,000 of paper money every week until \$50,000,000 is destroyed.

S. Dana Greene, an aid on Governor Roosevelt's staff, and his wife were drowned while skating on the Mohawk river at Schenectady, N. Y.

Mrs. Emma Granberry and Phoebe Granberry, her sister-in-law, were sent to the isolation hospital at Chicago suffering from smallpox.

Cornelius Shew and James Eagan, the murderers of Jackson Pepper, an aged and wealthy farmer, were hanged at Montrose, Pa.

### Discussed the Corner in Hemp.

Washington, Jan. 10.—At the cabinet meeting yesterday the subject of the alleged corner in hemp was discussed in connection with the numerous requests for information received to open a number of ports in the Philippines for the exportation of hemp to the United States. Secretary Wilson said he had received a large number of letters on the subject, some favoring and others protesting against opening the ports for the purpose stated. It seems to be the settled policy of the government to open all of the Philippine ports as rapidly as troops can be spared to garrison them.

### Dead Man Is Identified.

Chicago, Jan. 10.—The man found mortally wounded in a room at 143 West Madison street Friday with the corpse of a young woman by his side is said to have been John Fritill, Jr., of Jonesboro, Ind. The woman's identity is still a mystery.

### Vandalia Elects Officers.

Terre Haute, Ind., Jan. 10.—A meeting of the stockholders of the St. Louis and Terre Haute railroad company was held yesterday at Greenville, Ill. The old board of directors was re-elected and the following officers were appointed: President, James McCrea, Pittsburg; secretary, S. B. Liggett, Pittsburg.

### Kiliani Keen "Doing Nicely."

New York, Jan. 10.—At St. Luke's hospital it was said last night that Roland Reed, the actor, was doing nicely.

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## THUGS PUT ON STYLE.

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### COAL COMPANY'S OFFICE IS ROBBED

Money Intended for the Hands Being Taken at the Point of Revolvers—Brakeman Loses His Life Averting a Collision of Trains—Attend to Various Business Matters—Smallpox Scare.

Chicago, Jan. 10.—Three men armed with revolvers and dressed in the height of fashion, with fine derby hats and immaculate gloves, walked into the branch office of the Lehigh Valley Coal company at Third street and Stewart avenue in broad daylight and robbed the cashier, Louis D. Vitt, of a watch valued at \$200 and the contents of the cash drawer, amounting to \$347.

The robbery was carried out with the coolness and verve which characterized the operations of the famous long and short men several years ago. The three men escaped, but later a man was arrested whom Captain Hayes declares to have been positively identified as one of the trio. He would not tell the man's name.

**Cashier Did No Pondering.**  
Cashier Vitt and the office boy, Eddie Hendricks, were alone in the office. Vitt was busily engaged in arranging the pay roll. In a short time he intended to pay off the sixty men who were shoveling coal in the yard in plain sight of the office. One of the men held a revolver to the office boy's ear as the cashier, without taking time to ponder in front of the dark muzzle at his head, handed them the contents of the cash drawer.

### Broke the Telephone Connection.

Then one of the men tore the cashier's watch from its chain, and all three robbers, after breaking the telephone connection, ran out of the office through the yard where the employees were at work and turning into the alley leading to Thirty-first street escaped. A reward of \$200 has been offered by the coal company for the arrest and conviction of the highwaymen, through J. W. Skeele, its western sales agent.

### SOME STATE BOARDS MEET.

State Fair Dates Fixed—Two Boards Elect Their Officers.

Springfield, Ills., Jan. 10.—The state board of agriculture at its annual meeting yesterday fixed upon Sept. 24 to 29 inclusive as the dates of holding the Illinois state fair of 1900. The matter of filling the vacancy in the Sixth district caused by the death of C. J. Linderman was laid over until the district convention to be held at the state fair, when the delegates from the agricultural societies will elect a member.

The state board of pharmacy, at its annual meeting yesterday, elected the following officers: President, William A. Dyche, Evanston; vice president, William C. Simpson, Mena; treasurer,

Thomas A. Jewett, Oregon; secretary, Luman T. Hay, Woodstock. In the examination of a class of twenty-nine applicants for license the preliminary education tests was applied for the first time and eight failed. A committee was appointed to secure cooperation of pharmacists in the enforcement of the pharmacy law.

The state board of health at its annual meeting yesterday re-elected its former officers for the ensuing year as follows: President, C. B. Johnson, Champaign; secretary, J. A. Egan, Springfield; treasurer, R. F. Bennett, Litchfield.

### HEROIC BRAKEMAN IS DEAD.

Lost His Life to Prevent a Collision on the Illinois Central.

Belleville, Ills., Jan. 10.—Samuel Craig, of Carbondale, was a brakeman on an Illinois Central freight train. It left East St. Louis early Monday morning. The conductor had instructions to meet the "Dixie flyer" at Wilderham Station, near here. It was found the train was too long to take the siding, and Craig was sent down the track to flag the "flyer," which was almost due. It was in the gray of dawn, and there was a heavy fog.

As the train approached Craig stood in the center of the track and waved his lantern. The light did not carry more than a few feet through the fog. The engineer did not see the signal. Craig rushed down the track, still waving his lantern. He was struck by the engine and ground to death under the wheels. The train was stopped and a collision averted.

### Poor People Who Steal Coal.

Paris, Ills., Jan. 10.—Coal stealing from the cars in the railroad yards, which has been going on here for years, is being broken up by the officers. The thieves are poor people, banded together. The first arrest was made two months ago. Several women and children were among those arrested Tuesday night.

### Writ of Error in the Glucose Case.

Springfield, Ills., Jan. 10.—A copy of the writ of error from the supreme court of the United States to the supreme court of Illinois in the case of George F. Harding and others against the American Sugar company and others, sued out by the Glucose Sugar Refining company, was lodged in the office of the clerk of the supreme court here Monday, accompanied by a bond to cover costs and damages.

### Two Men Hurt at a Crossing.

Springfield, Ills., Jan. 10.—Professor E. E. Turney, a teacher in the Springfield high school, and Robert Smiley, owner of the Smiley screen works, were struck by a Wabash passenger train while crossing the tracks in a buggy. Both were taken to St. John's hospital, where each had a leg amputated. They may not recover.

### Smallpox Epidemic Proves Alarming.

Springfield, Ills., Jan. 10.—Information received by the state board of health is that the smallpox epidemic in Williamson county has attained alarming proportions. Secretary Egan has instructed the sheriff to quarantine all infected premises.

### To Cure La Grippe in Two Days.

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box. 25 cents.

## ROOT IS NOT IN IT.

Secretary of War Will Not Stand for Vice Presidency.

### SO WRITES HENRY C. PAYNE.

Believes That He is More Useful in the Cabinet.

Milwaukee, Jan. 10.—Henry C. Payne, national republican committeeman of Wisconsin, this morning is in receipt of a letter from Elihu Root, secretary of war, in which Root states that he is not, and will not, be a candidate for the office of vice president; that he has arrived at this conclusion by reason of the very delicate condition of affairs which exists and will continue for a considerable period in Cuba and the Philippines. He deems it far more important to the country, the administration and the republican party that he continue to attend to the business of the war office than to be the candidate for vice president.

### FLOUR FINALLY RELEASED.

The American Cargo in Delagoa Bay—Prepared for Delay.

London, Jan. 10.—The American flour seized in Delagoa Bay has been released. Choate had an interview with Salisbury this afternoon and received a verbal reply to the representations of the Washington government. A British note on the subject was sent later to the embassy. The gist of it was cabled to Washington. In brief, foodstuffs are not consigned as contraband of war unless intended for the enemy.

Washington, Jan. 10.—Hay has not received the answer of the British government to the representations by Choate, representing the seizure of American flour in Delagoa Bay. It is said at the state department that immediate answer is not expected, owing to the extreme importance of establishing an absolutely correct and sound precedent. This is equally desirable on our own part as well as Great Britain's, in view of the possible effect it may have on our own future.

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